

### **EZ - Ride Suspension**

Part # 10910 1999 — 2003 Chevy or GMC 1500 Torsion bar lower key

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Congratulations on your selection to purchase a Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension System. We at Tuff Country are proud to offer a high quality product at the industries most competitive pricing. Thank you for your confidence in us, and our product.

Before installation begins, it is the customers/installers responsibility to make sure that all parts are on hand. If any parts are missing, please feel free to call one of our customer service representative @ (800) 288-2190.

Make sure to use locktite on all new and stock hardware associated with this installation.

It is the responsibility of the installers to make sure that the rear view mirror hanger is hung from the rear view mirror. The rear view mirror hanger has instructions on proper post installation procedures.

The Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension product safety label that is included in your kit box must be installed inside the cab in plain view of all occupants.

It is the customers/installers responsibility to read and understand all steps before installation begins. OEM manual should be used as a reference guide.

## **Torque Settings**

	5/16"	15—18 ft lbs. 30—35 ft lbs. 85—120 ft lbs. 100—140 ft lbs.	3/8"	28-32 ft lbs.
	7/16"	30-35 ft lbs.	1/2"	65—85 ft lbs.
	9/16"	85—120 ft lbs.	5/8"	95—130 ft lbs.
ı	3/4"	100-140 ft lbs		

# Installation manual Torsion bar lower key Chevy or GMC 1500 1999 — 2003

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Important customer information:

Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension highly recommends that a qualified and or certified mechanic performs this installation.

This vehicles reaction and handling characteristics may differ from standard cars and/or trucks. Modifications to improve and/or enhance off road performance may raise the intended center of gravity. Extreme caution must be utilized when encountering driving conditions which may cause vehicle imbalance or loss of control. DRIVE SAFELY! Avoid abrupt maneuvers, such as sudden sharp turns which could cause a roll over, resulting in serious injury or death.

It is the customers responsibility to make sure that a re-torque is performed on all hardware associated with this suspension system after the first 500 miles of installation. It is also the customers responsibility to do a complete re-torque after every 3000 miles or after every off road use.

After the original installation, Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension also recommends having the alignment checked every 6 months to ensure proper tracking, proper wear on tires and front end components. Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension take no responsibility for abuse, improper installation or improper suspension maintenance.

It is the responsibility of the customer or the mechanic to wear safety glasses at all times when performing this installation.

Before installation begins, Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension highly recommends that the installer performs a test drive on the vehicle. During the test drive, check to see if there are any uncommon sounds or vibrations. If uncommon sounds or vibrations occur on the test drive, uncommon sounds or vibrations will be enhanced once the rear ladder bars are installed. Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension highly recommends notifying the customer prior to installation to inform the customer of these issues if they exist.

### Limited lifetime warranty

Notice to all Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension customers: It is your responsibility to keep your original sales receipt! If failure should occur on any Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension component, your original sales receipt must accompany the warranted unit to receive warranty. Warranty will be void if the customer can not provide the original sales receipt. Do not install a body lift in conjunction with a suspension system. If a body lift is used in conjunction with any Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension product, your Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension WARRANTY WILL BE VOID. Tuff Country Inc. ("Tuff Country") suspension products are warranted to be free from defects in material and workmanship for life if purchased, installed and maintained on a non-commercial vehicle: otherwise. for a period of twelve (12) months, from the date of purchase and installation on a commercial vehicle. or twelve thousand (12,000) miles (which ever occurs first). Tuff Country does not warrant or make any representations concerning Tuff Country Products when not installed and used strictly in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions for such installation and operation and accordance with good installation and maintenance practices of the automotive industry. This warranty does not apply to the cosmetic finish of Tuff Country products nor to Tuff Country products which have been altered, improperly installed, maintained, used or repaired, or damaged by accident, negligence, misuse or racing. ("Racing is used in its broadest sense, and, for example, without regards to formalities in relation to prizes, competition, etc.) This warranty is void if the product is removed from the original vehicle and reinstalled on that or any other vehicle. This warranty is exclusive and is in lieu of any implied warranty of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose or other warranty of quality, whether express or implied, except the warranty of title. All implied warranties are limited to the duration of this warranty. The remedies set forth in this warranty are exclusive. This warranty excludes all labor charges or other incidental of consequential damages. Any part or product returned for warranty claim must be returned through the dealer of the distributor from whom it was purchased. Tuff Country reserves the right to examine all parts returned to it for warranty claim to determine whether or not any such part has failed because of defect in material or workmanship. The obligation of Tuff Country under this warranty shall be limited to repairing, replacing or crediting, at its option, any part or product found to be so defective. Regardless of whether any part is repaired, replaced or credited under this warranty, shipping and/or transportation charges on the return of such product must be prepaid by the customer under this warranty.

### Torsion bar lower key installation:

- 1. To begin installation, block the front tires of the vehicle so that the vehicle is stable and can't roll forward. Safely lift the rear of the vehicle and support the frame with a pair of jack stands. Place a jack stand on both the driver and passenger side.
- 2. Working on the driver side, attach the torsion bar removing tool, making sure that the unloading bolt in the center of the torsion bar removing tool is in the small divot of the stock torsion bar key. Adjust the torsion bar key up high enough so that the stock small metal adjusting block and bolt can be removed. Save the stock hardware for later re-installation. Repeat procedure on passenger side. Remove the torsion bar removing tool.
- 3. Working on the driver side, tap the stock torsion bars forward until the stock torsion key can be removed. Once you tap the stock torsion bar out of the stock torsion bar cross member, the stock torsion bar key will fall out. The stock torsion bar key may be discarded. Repeat procedure on the passenger side.
- 4. Locate the new torsion bar lower keys. Working on the driver side, install the new torsion bar key into the stock location in the stock torsion bar cross member. Holding the new torsion bar key, slide the driver side torsion bar into the new torsion bar key. Repeat procedure on the passenger side.
- 5. Locate the torsion bar adjusting blocks and hardware that was removed from step # 2. Working on the driver side, attach the torsion bar removing tool to the stock torsion bar cross member, making sure that the unloading bolt in the center of the torsion bar removing tool is in the small divot of the stock torsion bar key. Adjust the torsion bar key up high enough so that the stock small metal adjusting block and bolt can be reinstalled back into the stock location. Adjust the stock adjusting bolt up until there is still 1" of thread left. Special note: Do not adjust the torsion bar adjusting bolt to high or to low, make sure it is set to the 1" measurement. Repeat procedure on the passenger side. Remove the torsion bar removing tool. Carefully lower the vehicle to the ground.

Congratulations, installation complete. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension.

Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension recommends that a complete re-torque is done on all bolts associated with this suspension system. It is the customers responsibility to make sure that a re-torque is performed on all hardware associated with this suspension system after the first 100 miles of installation. It is also the customers responsibility to do a complete re-torque after every 3000 miles or after every off road use. Neglect of following these steps could cause brackets to come loose and cause serious damage to the suspension system and to the vehicle.

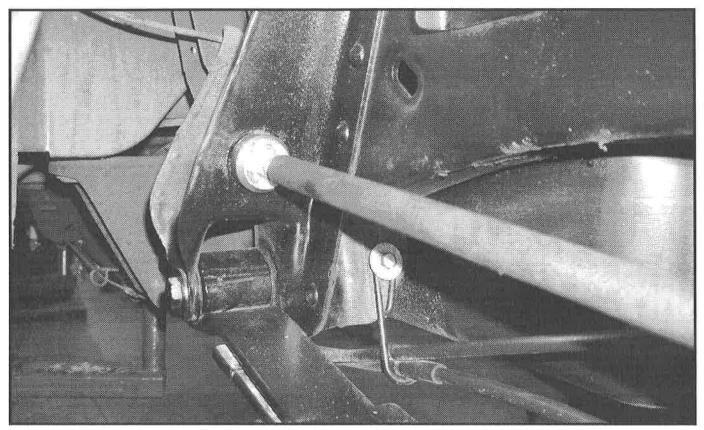


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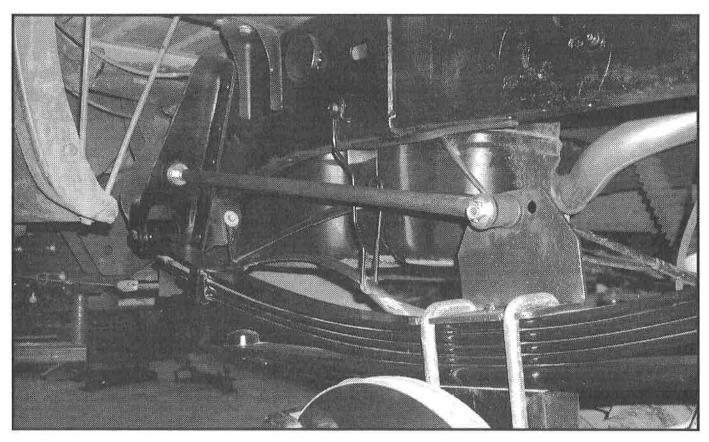


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